



ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

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ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME-GULFPORT Veterans Day Ceremony & Open House – Open to the Public

Gulfport, Miss– (November 11, 2014). To celebrate Veterans Day the Armed Forces Retirement Home is hosting a ceremony on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 9:00. This event is open to the public.

- **0830** – Gates Open to the Public
- **0845** – Patriot Guard Motorcycles Arrive
- **0900** – Harrison County Sheriff Helicopter Landing
- **0915** – Gulfport High Band Music
- **0930** – Opening Ceremony Begins by Flagpole – National Anthem (Gulfport High School Band)
- **0945** – Guest Speaker, Lt Gen Clark Griffith, USAF (Ret)
- **1030 – 1400** – Static Displays & Presentations
Displays: US Coast Guard, Gulfport Police & Fire Dept. Biloxi Police Department, Army National Guard, Air National Guard, NCBC, Harrison County Sheriff's Department, AMR, Team Fusion Robotics, Encore Medical, Singing River Hospitals, & More!
Art Exhibitors will be in the Main Hall & Art Room areas.
- **1030 to 1400** – AFRH Tours Every 30 Minutes
- **1045** – Coast Guard Helicopter Fly-Over
- **1200 to 1400** – Hot Hors d'oeuvres in foyer
- **1330** – AFRH-G Gate closes to Public Access
- **1400** – AFRH-G Community Day Conclusion

WHO: Local Media

WHAT: Veterans Day Ceremony & Open House

WHEN: Tuesday, November 11th from 0830 – 1400

WHERE: AFRH-Gulfport

HOW: Media planning to attend should contact Becki Zschiedrich at 228-897-4429.



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The new Home is located on 47 acres of prime waterfront land on the Mississippi Sound. It features a multi-tower complex with full amenities such as dining, social, recreational, and therapeutic activities, plus a swimming pool, hobby shops, a wellness center with basic dental and eye care, a bank, a barber and beauty shop, bowling center, movie theater, a computer room, library, and a pedestrian bridge to the beach. Formerly called the “US Naval Home”, this facility merged with the “Soldiers’ Home” in Washington in 1991 – and both were renamed AFRH. Prior to 1976, the Naval Home was located in Philadelphia, PA and from 1833-1899 it was called the “Naval Asylum”. To learn more about AFRH-Gulfport contact Becki L. Zschiedrich, Public Affairs, at 228-897-4429 or becki.zschiedrich@afrh.gov.